

February 3, 2015

The Mina Town Board met on the above date for a special meeting concerning the Findley Lake Volunteer Fire Department. Supervisor Brumagin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members and guests were in attendance:

Present: Rebecca Brumagin.....Supervisor
Dennis LuceCouncilman
Dick Watrous.....Councilman

Absent: Scott Bensink.....Councilman
Dave Wilcox.....Councilman

Attended by: Tad Wright (Town of Mina Attorney), Dave Himelein (Chautauqua County Legislator), Michael Gradler, Jack Hamilton (FLVFD Fire Chief), Randy Hamilton (FLVFD President & 2nd Ass't Fire Chief), Tammy Hamilton, Bud Noble, Judy Noble, Terry Phelps, Sherri Schenk, Jacob Seekings (FLVFD 1st Ass't Fire Chief), Nancy Sonney

Supervisor Brumagin asked the Town Clerk to read the legal notice that was published in the Jamestown Post Journal.

Supervisor Brumagin then presented the concerns that had been expressed to her in regard to the recent fire on Shadyside Road as well as general concerns about the functioning of the Findley Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

Fire Chief, Jack Hamilton responded to the concerns and Supervisor Brumagin opened it up for other comments/concerns.

Michael Gradler made a suggestion about forming a community committee to help recruit volunteers.

Terry Phelps commented on legal aspects of working at a fire scene and as an EMT.

Judy Noble expressed concern on response times with so many volunteers not living in town.

Sherri Schenk commented on some of the workings of the department.

Discussion was held.

Councilman Watrous made a motion seconded by Councilman Luce to go into executive session at 7:54 p.m. Motion carried. At 9:08 Councilman Luce made a motion seconded by Councilman Watrous to go back to regular session. Motion carried.

Councilman Luce made a motion seconded by Councilman Watrous to enter into a 6 month contract with the Findley Lake Volunteer Fire Department contingent on the following:

- The establishment of a Community Committee that includes the two town board members that are liaisons to the FLV Fire Department.
- A member of the FLV Fire Department attends the monthly town board meetings and gives a report that includes the FLVFD's financials.
- At least one of the town board liaisons attends the FLVFD's monthly board meetings.

Motion carried.

Ayes - 3 Brumagin, Luce, Watrous

Nays - 0

Councilman Luce reported that he met with an electrician concerning generator back-up and will have more to report when the electrician provides a more formal proposal.

Supervisor Brumagin noted Ron Vahl's obituary stating that he was a former Councilman for the Town of Mina and until his death had been serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Supervisor Brumagin then moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie R. Tanner, Town Clerk